

Amendments to the Drawings

The attached drawing sheet includes changes to Fig 7. This sheet, which includes Fig 7, replaces the original sheet including Fig. 7. Figure 7 is a diagram illustrating the detachable cover for the extending base according to an embodiment of the present invention. In this replacement sheet, the electrical connector element number was changed from "24" to "21". The left and right guiding elements are shown as element numbers "222a" and "222b" instead of "222". The guiding block 223 has been redrawn to further show that it is removable from the base.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

After the foregoing amendments, claims 1, 6, 8-14 and 17-23 are pending in this application. Claims 2-5, 7 and 15-16 were previously canceled without prejudice. Claims 1, 10, 17 and 19 have been amended.

In the specification, paragraphs [0043]-[0045] have been amended.

Figure 7 has also been amended.

Applicant submits that no new matter has been introduced into the application by these amendments.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating that claims 17, 18 and 20-23 are allowed.

Claim Objections

The Action objected to claims 6 and 8-14 because they are based upon a rejected base claim. Claims 6 and 8-14 are based upon claim 1. Claim 1 has been amended and, for the reasons stated below, is allowable. Therefore, claims 6 and 8-14 are no longer based upon a rejected base claim and are also allowable. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the objection to the claims.

Amendments to the Specification

Applicant has amended paragraphs [0043]-[0045] of the specification. Paragraph [0043] has been amended to reflect what is shown in Fig. 6; that the latch 28 protrudes from the bottom of the base body, not the top side of the detachable cover.

Paragraph [0044] and [0045] change the element numbers of the guiding elements from number 222 to 222a and 222b and further clarify that element 222b is removable from the base but that element 222a is not. Paragraph [0045] also further clarifies that the guiding block 223 is removable from the base.

Objections to the Drawings

The Action objected to Fig. 7 because it did not sufficiently show that the guiding block 223 and the guiding element 222 are removable from the base. A replacement sheet of Fig. 7 is enclosed, which shows that the guiding block 223 is removable from the base. The replacement sheet also shows that the guiding elements are now identified as 222a and 222b instead of 222. This amendment is described in amended paragraphs [0044] and [0045] of the specification. Guiding element 222b is removable from the base as shown by the slot 226. Guiding element 222a is fixed to the base as shown in the replacement sheet. This is also described in amended paragraphs [0044] and [0045] of the specification. Applicant

thanks the Examiner for preliminarily indicating on June 6, 2006 that this drawing amendment would be acceptable.

In addition, the electrical connector was improperly labeled as element "24". In this replacement sheet, this element has been changed to "21". This change is supported by the drawings (see e.g., Fig. 2) and by the specification (see e.g., paragraph [0040]). Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the objection to Fig. 7 and enter the replacement sheet.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112, 1st Paragraph

Claims 1 and 19 stand rejected under 35 USC § 112, 1st Paragraph because they are not enabled. Previously, claims 1 and 19 claimed that the latch element protrudes from the detachable cover. But according to the drawings (see e.g., Fig. 6), the latch element protrudes from the base body. Claims 1 and 19 have been amended to claim that the latch element protrudes from the base body, not the detachable cover. This change is further reflected by amended paragraph [0043] of the specification.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdrawal the 35 USC § 112, 1st Paragraph rejection of claims 1 and 19.

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Conclusion

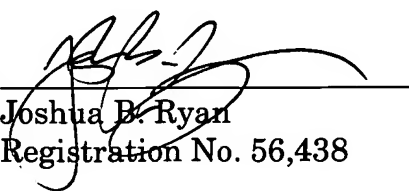
If the Examiner believes that any additional, minor, formal matters need to be addressed in order to place this application in condition for allowance, or that an interview will help to materially advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone at the Examiner's convenience.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that the present application, including claims 1, 6, 8-14 and 17-23, is in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

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